

FRANCE WINS 2,000 GUINEAS

With five runners in the 2,000 guineas run over the Newmarket Mile, French owners make a bold bid to win the only Classic that has escaped them in the past five years. They're going to the Post now. After a little trouble, the field of 26 is in line - and they're off! A mile to go, with a stiff climb to the finish. As usual, they've split into two bunches. That's the far side lot with "GLOBE OF LIGHT" leading Johnstone on "DIJONEL-HALLOUP." Out of sight for the moment are the Stand side runners - they're led by No. 11 "WORDEN" with Elliereu working hard - Gordon on "AGITATOR," "ARGUR" and "BOB MAJOR." Now you can see the two bunches together - or should I say far apart?

Coming out of the Dip now it's Poincelet taking "THUNDERHEAD II" into the lead and drawing away from "ARGUR." "KING'S HENCH" running second on the far side. But it's "THUNDERHEAD" all right as Poincelet drives him past the post five lengths clear, to win the first classic of the season for France. Seems strange not to be saying Boussac, doesn't it? But it's Monsieur Constant who collects the fourteen-thousand pounds this time.